

prevent an extension of the applicant's monopoly.

**Applicants' Traverse**

The judicially created doctrine was grounded on public policy so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the patent term. Applicants disagree that a terminal disclaimer is required. Such terminal disclaimer would not prevent an unjustified or improper timewise extension of the patent term. The term of a patent issuing from this application will not extend beyond the term of any related patent that has issued or will issue that is based on the same priority application.

**Submission of Terminal Disclaimer**

Applicants however, are submitting a terminal disclaimer herewith in order to expedite issuance of the application to patent.

**Conclusion:**

Applicants therefore believe that the claims are in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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